

## STATE of MINNESOTA

## Proclamation

WHEREAS:

Many Lagosians, Nigerians from Lagos State, live in the State of Minnesota.

Lagos State is the largest of 36 states in Nigeria; and

WHEREAS:

The State of Minnesota has been home to thousands of Lagosian-Nigerians for

more than 60 years, resulting in second and third generation Lagosian-

Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS:

Lagosian-Minnesotans contribute positively to the economic, social, and cultural

diversity and prosperity of the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS:

In 2004, Lagosian-Minnesotans founded the Eko Club Minnesota, U.S.A., Inc., a

non-profit, community-based organization of Lagosians residing in the State of

Minnesota; and

WHEREAS:

Eko Club Minnesota, U.S.A., Inc. was founded to foster cooperation,

collaboration, unity, and brotherhood and sisterhood among its members; to empower members politically, socially, and economically; and to contribute positively to the advancement and prosperity of the community and the State of

Minnesota; and

WHEREAS:

On Saturday, September 20, 2014, Eko Club Minnesota, U.S.A., Inc. is

celebrating its 10-year Anniversary.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 20, 2014, as:

## **EKO DAY**

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August.

GOVERNOR \*

SECRETARY OF STATE